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SUBJ: FEBRUARY 1974 GENEVA CONFERENCE ON THE

LAW OF WAR

REF: STATE 27026

1. EMBOFF MADE DEMARCHE ON PRG AND LIBERAL MOVEMENTS  
ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCE AS INSTRUCTED STATE 27026 TO  
PER FERGO, MFA LEGAL DEPARTMENT HEAD, WHO WILL BE CHIEF  
OF DANISH DELEGATION AT CONFERENCE. FERGO SAID DANISH  
POSITION ON NON-ATTENDANCE BY BOTH PRG AND AFRICAN  
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WAS SIMILAR TO THAT OF USG AND FOR  
THE SAME REASONS. DENMARK HAS NOT RECOGNIZED PRG OR  
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AFRICAN MOVEMENTS AND DOES NOT CONSIDER THEM TO HAVE

NORMAL ATTRIBUTES OF STATES, WHICH IS PRECONDITION FOR RECOGNITION.

2. FERGO WILL ATTEND FEBRUARY 18 MEETING OF HEADS OF DELEGATION TO CONSIDER REPRESENTATION ISSUES AND WILL ADVANCE DANISH POSITION AS SET FORTH ABOVE. HOWEVER, DANISH GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT WANT TO SEE CONFERENCE BREAK UP OVER SUCH ISSUES. IF BROADLY SUPPORTED COMPROMISES ARE PRESENTED, WHICH GO BEYOND THE OFFERS ALREADY MADE TO PERMIT LIMITED PARTICIPATION BY SUBJECT GROUPS, ANES WILL HAVE TO RECONSIDER THEIR POSITION. FERGO THINKS REPRESENTATION OF PRG MAY CONSTITUTE MOST DIFFICULT PROBLEM, AS IT IS RECOGNIZED BY NUMEROUS STATES AND IT HAS ANNOUNCED ITS ADHERENCE TO THE CONVENTION. ON AFRICAN SIDE, HE THINKS GUINEA-BISSAU MAY BE MOST TROUBLESOME QUESTION. ALTHOUGH IT DOES NOT BENEFIT FROM DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION BY MANY STATES, AS PRG DOES, AFRICAN STATES MAY BE ADAMANT ON ITS ADMISSION. FERGO NOTED, MOREOVER, THAT GOVERNMENT OF PORTUGAL HAS, IN CASE OF LOS CONFERENCE, NOT CONDITIONED ITS OWN PARTICIPATION ON EXCLUSION OF GUINEA-BISSAU.  
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